

THE INDIANAPOLIS RADIO CLUB - FOUNDED IN 1914  
(The oldest continuously meeting Amateur Radio Club in the United States)

THE AMACHEWER FOR NOVEMBER 2001

NEXT MEETING IS NOVEMBER 9, 2001 at 7:30 P.M. AT THE INDIANAPOLIS  
TRAINING CENTER, 2801 NORTH MERIDIAN. (Come early to socialize)

2001 IRC Officers:

Pres.	Bill Goodall (K9DBY)	255-4749
V. Pres.	Chuck Crist (W9IH)	787-6674
Director	Bruce Woodward (W9ZY)	251-5606
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Chief Op.	John Lee (W9GRE)	251-3793
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\*\* Our October Meeting Minutes:  
Indianapolis Radio Club  
Date: 10/12/2001

1. Meeting was called to order by Bill Goodall (K9DBY) at 7:30 PM
2. Introductions of attendees - 20 people attended.
3. Treasurers Report - Wade Kingery (W9JGZ) gave as short report as of Sept 30, 2001  
Wade also passed out a detailed report of current financial positions and current membership list  
to the executive board.
4. Bill gave a report on the status of the December IRC annual meeting. The meeting/dinner will  
be held at MCL at the Greenwood Shopping (1251 US Hgwy. 31) in Johnson County. The dinner  
meeting will start at 6:00 PM and a speaker will be the entertainment. A motion from  
the floor  
was made to suggest the IRC board consider including the cost of the  
spouse's/significant other's  
dinner as part of the yearly dues. A vote was taken and the members approved that  
this dinner  
would be paid by the club. The treasurer indicated that the dinner costs would be  
approximately  
\$390 versus \$230, last years cost.
5. Bill asked the membership for the creation of a nominating committee for  
elections to be held in  
November. John Lee accepted the task of heading a nomination committee.
6. Bill Goodall is seeking nominations for Amateur of the Year. He is requesting  
that the

membership suggest nominees.

7. Tom Chance and Chuck Crist gave a short report on the status of the ITC station. The A4S beam has been rebuilt and installed on the roof. Bands 10 thru 40 meters are in working order. The 80-40 meter wire antennae are still in need of repair. The Yaesu FT990 is in full working order and the station is ready for operation. (Ed. As of this writing all antenna repairs have been made and the shack is in full running order though additional equipment is being sought)

8. Gary Stouder and Bob Simcox gave an informative presentation on the active amateur community at Greenfield Center High School. The presentation included students working amateur satellites to preparing to contact the International Space Station. Bob gave a talk involving the youth in amateur radio.

A Special "Thank You" to Gary and Bob for an excellent session. It's only too bad that more of the membership couldn't be there to experience it.

The meeting was adjourned at 9 PM.

(signed)  
Tom Chance, Secretary (K9XV)

\*\* Our November Meeting:

The main business of this meeting will be the election of officers for the year 2002. A good attendance by official members will ensure that the best candidates are elected to the various positions.

\*\* Our December Meeting:

Once again we will be having our annual dinner and meeting. The date is December 14, 2001. As noted above in the October meeting minutes, the dinner will be at the MCL Cafeteria in the Greenwood mall. The dinner will start at 6:00 PM. As a change from last year please take note that the dinner for "spouses" and "significant others" will be covered by the club. We're looking forward to another fine dinner meeting so please make plans to be there.

\*\* Local News:

NEW YOUTH NET HAS STARTED

The Indianapolis Repeater Association has started a "Youth Net" on Sunday evenings at 6:30 PM. The net operates on the 146.10/70 repeater and the net is run by and for the youths that have at least a Technician license and are no more than 18 years old. All check-in's, again 18 years and younger, are welcome. If you know of any young hams that might be interested in checking-in please pass the word around. If they are also interested in being the net control operator some Sunday, please have them contact Don McMorris (K9MCM) who can often be reached on this same repeater or have them get in touch with me at (317) 849-8449 and I'll see that their wishes get acknowledged. I believe that this is a "first" for central Indiana and I ask that we all try to make it a success as everybody knows we need the younger folks more involved in our hobby if it is to grow and prosper.

\*\* News from the ARRL:

#### FCC CLARIFIES CORES AMATEUR IMPLEMENTATION

The FCC's Wireless Telecommunications Bureau has clarified several issues regarding Amateur

Service implementation of the Commission Registration System--or CORES. Starting December

3, everyone doing business with the FCC--including amateur licensees--must obtain and use a 10-digit FCC Registration Number (FRN) when filing.

Amateur licensees now registered in the Universal Licensing System (ULS) already have been

cross-registered in CORES and issued an FRN by mail. The FCC said it planned another cross-

registration by November 28. Amateurs can check to see if they have an FRN via a ULS license search. Many Internet call sign servers, including ARRL's, also can provide this information.

Once CORES becomes mandatory, the FCC will "auto-register" all amateurs who seek to register

in ULS and will issue them an FRN. Amateurs then should use their FRN in place of their

Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN--typically an individual's Social Security Number) when

filing applications with the FCC. New or upgrade license applicants not previously

registered in

ULS will be registered automatically in both CORES and ULS when they provide a TIN on a license application filed through a Volunteer Examiner Coordinator.

Although both ULS and CORES will contain a licensee's FRN, updating information in one system will not update the other. For amateurs, CORES registration will replace ULS Sign'' registration, but the ULS will remain the Amateur Service licensing database within WTB, and only ULS will associate an individual with a particular call sign and FRN. Once CORES/FRN becomes mandatory, those registering in ULS will be redirected to CORES registration.

Going away December 3 will be the so-called Assigned Taxpayer Identification Number, or ATIN, which the FCC has been issuing to applicants ineligible to obtain a Social Security Number, such as foreign applicants and club station licensees. An FCC Public Notice this week said applicants that have been using ATINs ''must now register in CORES.'' The FCC said it will accept ATINs only ''during a short transitional period'' after December 3.

CORES will offer exemptions to amateur clubs and to foreign entities not holding a TIN/SSN. Club station applicants also may use a trustee's TIN/SSN or a tax-exempt club's IRS-assigned EIN.

The WTB says that starting December 3, ''all passwords will be maintained in the CORES database.'' Amateurs also may use FCC Form 160 to register in CORES, and those doing so will be mailed a CORES password for on-line access.

The FCC continues to work out the details of how amateurs, CORES and ULS will coexist. Amateur Service testing with CORES is planned for early November.

73,

Gale A. Wuollet (AA9WU)